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## DR. J. R. MILLS DELIVERS INTERESTING ADDRESS TO STUDENTS IN CHAPEL

Tells of Wonderful Resources of New Republic  
And Prophecies Great Future

Dr. J. R. Mills of Washington, D. C., son of Samuel J. Mills, the "Father of Missions," addressed the entire Student-body in the Chapel Thursday morning last on the general subject, "China." He dwelt upon the country's marvelous natural resources, which include coal, iron, gold and silver in abundance. Then he told of the recent revolution of the four hundred million people, calling attention to the fact that it took them but four months to overthrow the old government and take on an entirely new form—a thing theretofore unheard of. Dr. Mills gave it as his opinion that China will do more in the next fifteen years than Japan, and quoted Dr. Elliot of Harvard as saying, "The Republic has come to stay."

After Dr. Mills showed the standing of China in relation to the other countries of the world, quoting John Hay to the effect that China will be "the Key to the world politics for the next five centuries," he came to the crux of the situation—the reason why a country with such advantages has been the most backward nation in the world. This he attributes entirely to the religious beliefs and superstitions, particularly to the slavish fear of evil spirits. Because of these fears the Chinese would not build a house on a hill; they would not construct a railroad, nor dig a well, and many similar superstitions. Dr. Mills claims that these things are passing away before the tremendous spread of the Christian religion and the spread of education; and he closed his address with a plea for foreign missions, saying that China is at the critical moment today, and that the United States, because of its influence on the Chinamen, is the country to save the day.

### REQUIESCAT IN PACE

"D on Hist'ry? What a myst'ry!  
E on English? An awful bore!  
A on nothing? It cannot be!  
D on German? It makes me sore."  
The Freshman looked, yes, long  
looked he—  
At last he gasped:  
"A dead one, dead one, I must be"—  
And gasped his last.

## A Thanksgiving

Lord, for the erring thought  
Not unto evil wrought;  
Lord, for the wicked will  
Betrayed and baffled still;  
For the heart from itself kept:  
Our Thanksgiving accept!  
  
For ignorant hopes that were  
Broken to our blind prayer;  
For pain, death, sorrow—sent  
Unto our chastisement;  
For all loss of seeming good:  
Quicken our gratitude!

—William Dean Howells.

## NOVEMBER LITERARY MAGAZINE CRITICIZED BY DR. J. S. WILSON

Says First Issue of The Year Is Above Average,  
Both as to Contents and Material Make-up

The November issue of the William and Mary Literary Magazine is good. In the first place it is well balanced as to its contents of three stories, two essays and five poems. In the next place, the work of the contributors in no article falls below a creditable standard. In the third place, the material make-up of the magazine is decidedly the best that the publication has ever had in all its twenty two years of vigorous life.

The story, "A Pair O' License," is by all odds the best of fiction. It is a delicate piece of work, rich in real color, excellent in character delineation and strong in its effective use of the element of surprise. There are passages of vigorous clear English that stand out in telling simplicity. Mr. Grimsley has advanced wonderfully in his workmanship over that of his very creditable story of last session's "Lit."

There are passages of pathetic beauty in "Little Plin;" and "Be-

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## RICHMOND DEFEATS WILLIAM AND MARY IN LAST GAME OF SEASON

Fumbles Aid The Spiders Materially in rolling  
Up Their 32 Points at Richmond

William and Mary closed its football season Saturday when it lost to Richmond College in Richmond by a score of 32 to 0. Fumbling on the part of William and Mary was very much in evidence, and was largely responsible for the large score rolled up by the Spiders. Twice, fumbled punts were responsible for the touchdowns, and on several occasions when it looked as if William and Mary might carry the ball across their opponents goal, they let the ball get away from them and Richmond recovered each time.

The first score was made three minutes after play started. Richmond received the kick off and when they failed to gain, punted. Bertschey however let the ball get away from him and Richmond recovered it on the 20 yard line. On the second play Pollard ran around left end for the first touchdown. William and Mary received the kickoff and on the third play Richmond recovered the ball on a fumble. They were

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## STUDENT COMMITTEE NOW A FACT AT WILLIAM AND MARY

First College Hour of The Year a Decided  
Success. Various Subjects Discussed

At the first college hour, held last Monday morning, the Student-body voted for the election by the various classes of a Student Committee, to be made up of four Seniors, three Juniors, two Sophomores, and one Freshman. The question of electing such a committee has been agitated for the past several weeks, but this is the first official action taken by the students. The committee is now an accomplished fact, for the various classes have already elected their representatives. The men elected are the following—Seniors: Clarence Jennings, J. W. Smith, Jr., P. P. Taylor, and O. W. Frey; Juniors: R. L. Combs, W. C. Ferguson and J. W. Presson; Sophomores: S. S. Rothwell and S. S. Bertschey; Freshman, W. C. West. The Committee had its first meeting on Thursday night and elected Clarence Jennings, Chairman, and W. C. West, Secretary.

The Student Committee is to meet with the Faculty Student Activity Committee, affording a necessary means of communication between Students and Faculty, and it is thought that it will bring about better understanding and more complete cooperation.

While the greater part of college hour was taken up with the question of cooperation between Faculty and Students, other matters of interest were discussed, among them being Literary Society Work, the College Magazine, and the Colonial Echo. The speakers were: Dr. J. S. Wilson on "Literary Society Work," J. W. Smith on "College Magazine," Dr. W. H. Keeble on "Cooperation," O. W. Frey on "Student Committee," Dr. J. W. Ritchie on "Student Committee," and C. C. Renick on "Colonial Echo," Clarence Jennings presiding.

The library will hereafter be open until 10:30 at night.

Professor H. E. Bennett was in Washington last week on business.

Clarence Jennings will be best man at a Thanksgiving wedding near his home in Norfolk County. The groom is Mr. Ives, and the bride Miss Bell, a sister of C. C. Bell of the Class '09.



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The Flat Hat will suspend publication next week on account of the Thanksgiving holidays.

## GET TO WORK

The season just ended was not as successful as we should have liked, but every man on the team gave all he had and that is all William and Mary expects.

But enough of this, "Well done, thou good and faithful" stuff. Instead let us look ahead. The basketball season is just beginning, and it is up to every man here to help turn out a winning team. We have always had good basketball teams and we are exceptionally fortunate in having last year's entire team to begin with, but let us not rest on our oars. Let every man get out and work. You may not be as good as the other man; you may be better; but whether you make the team or not, you are helping. The only way to turn out a winning team is by practice and that with the strongest opponents possible. Now is the time; "get out, work hard, get on the ball"—and win!

## THE SCRUBS

The football season is over. In victory and in defeat we have sung the praises of the varsity. They did their work well and will receive the only material reward the college gives—the monogram. But let us not forget the men who made the

varsity possible—the scrubs. These men toiled for the college without hope of reward and they deserve the thanks of all. Hats off to the scrubs!

## FIVE CREDITS OR STARVATION

Which shall he do—flunk Zoology or starve? This is the question a little Brafferton chieftain, the Medicine Man of the tribe, has been facing for the past few days. By order of his Professor, he is required to weigh his food for three consecutive days, but sad to tell he has the misfortune of being a patron saint of the salle a manger of Monsieur Noir ou Bis, where the order of the day is, "first come, first EAT."

Now, our friend comes early enough, but the scales must be arranged! Very well, he arranges them. Then he reaches for a biscuit,—only to find the plate empty! And so are the seats of the present receptacles of said biscuits. The chief's fellow tableites have decamped while he was arranging the scales, and the table is bare!

But the Medicine Man (who is a church officer) is a true Indian, stolid and brave: he goes right ahead and weighs as much pure O. as he can find in the crowded room; to this, he adds a little C O<sub>2</sub> and then some H<sub>2</sub> O; but he is getting thin, terribly thin!

## W. F. I. PRACTICES IN COLLEGE GYMNASIUM

The College Gym has been the scene of intense excitement to a large number of Ducs every evening from three to four during the past week.

This newly acquired interest in the heretofore prosaic building is due to the daily presence of a number of Fairies from "Peacock Hill," the College Faculty having granted the young ladies of Williamsburg Female Institute permission to practice basket ball in the Gymnasium every day at the hour mentioned.

## W. F. I. PLAYS HAMPTON HIGH SCHOOL

Williamsburg Female Institute basketball team on Friday last went to Hampton, where they played the Hampton High School team. The Institute girls played a very fine game and show much improvement over last year, but the superior weight of the Hampton girls was too much for them.

The score was: Hampton, 21; W. F. I., 10. Quite a number of Institute supporters made the trip to Hampton with the team.

T. A. Lupton left Saturday morning for Atlanta, Georgia, to attend the Sigma Phi Epsilon Conclave, November 23rd, 24th and 25th.

A large number of students will spend Thanksgiving at home. The majority of the Faculty, the teachers of the public schools and a number of students will attend the Educational Conference in Richmond.

## CRAZY QUILT PATCHES

(BY JOOZY KORR)

## A LECTURE IN ENGLISH

**W**ALK up, brethern, walk up. Walk up Mr. Letuceleaf, I've got a paper for you to correct. Each man correct his own paper; look for the red marks. If this class expects to make this course every mother's son of you had better buy a speller and join my spelling class. One brother misspelled arctic on his paper. What jackass can't spell arctic; raise your hand. How do you spell it, Mr. Cabbagestump.

A-r-t-i-c, came the answer.

That's right brother, a-r-C-t-i-c, you had better join my spelling class too. Another brother had something on his paper that read like this: Among those present at the dance were the following mesdames: Mrs. Dr. James, Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Baker, Dr. James, and Dr. Ball. Mr. Beetroot, that sentence is authorized in a grammar written

by Walter?—Walter?—oh, how you make me stammer—Mr. Clovertop—Walter?— — Main?

That's right, the circus owner—that's right, brother, the sentence has no authority at all. You can say Mrs. Dr. up above in the German room, but you can't say it here. And since when do men come under the heading of mesdames? Oh my, brethern, wait till the 26th of January comes—the day of Philippi.

Several members of the Faculty are scheduled to deliver addresses at the Educational Conference in Richmond this week. Among those who will speak are: Dr. Wilson, Professor Bennett and Professor Crawford.

It has been rumored that the Steward is serving dum-dum bullets in the Dining Hall in place of the customary and traditional "Sinkers," and Prof. Sam Hubbard, after looking over the monthly grades of his "Duc" classes, has expressed his belief in the report.

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forced to punt, but after making first down William and Mary again fumbled and a Spider fell on the oval.

No more scoring was done until the second quarter when two more touchdowns were registered. After the ball had been carried almost the length of the field Robins scored the second touchdown, and the third was scored by Newton when he snatched up a blocked punt and ran thirty yards to the goal line, Pollards interference keeping Bertschey from overtaking him.

In the third quarter the Spiders again scored as the result of a fumbled punt. Privott scooped up the ball and raced to the goal line. After receiving the kickoff the visitors made several good gains. A long forward pass, Addington to Bertschey, netted fifty yards, and the Orange and Black Captain nearly scored single handed when he passed all but one of the Spiders' backfield, but a fumble again lost the ball, and Richmond worked it down the field for the final touchdown.

After the kickoff Rothwell made a beautiful catch of a forward pass, but William and Mary was forced to punt, and soon after the whistle blew, ending the game.

Pollard, C. Wicker, Robins, and Newton were the stars for Richmond; while the work of Bertschey and the defensive play of Copeland, Gayle and Rothwell was best for William and Mary.

Line up and summary.

W. and M.	Position	R. C.
Carr.....	left end.....	Privott
Taylor.....	left tackle.....	Coburn
Stone.....	left guard.....	Oakes
Copeland.....	center.....	J. Wicker
Page.....	right guard.....	McNeil
Wallace.....	right tackle.....	Robins
Rothwell.....	right end.....	Newton
Bertschey.....	quarter back.....	C. Wicker
West.....	left half.....	Cosby
Wyatt.....	right half.....	Pollard
Gayle.....	full back.....	Roden

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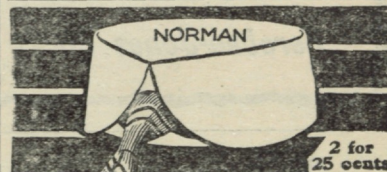
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cause of a Postage Stamp," though marred in places by a lack of critical restraint, is marked by that fecundity of imagination that is generally characteristic of Mr. Harris' work.

The essay on "Garibaldi," makes good reading and the sketch of "The Old Capitol," though weak in organization is full of intending fact and is pleasingly expressed.

The verse is highly creditable. A new poet, unknown identity, "Meredith Moore" gives promise of excellent work. All except one of the poems of this issue are by him.

Mr. Smith's "A Woman in Tears," though not perfect in art, presents especially in the last verse a remarkable example of restrained suggestions.

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